Opposition Suddenly Develops; Draft Not to Be Submitted to Council.

PROVISIONS HELD MUDDLED

Four Months' Work Dwindles to Nothing at Stormy Session of Commission, Which Finally Adjourns Without Date.

Overborne by a strong opposition vote, auddenly developed by W. C. Benbow's minority contingent of the People's (East Side) Charter Commission in the

minority collingent of the reconstance (East Side) Charter Commission in the latter part of last night's meeting, the charter over which the commission has been laboring, with frequent extensions of time, for more than four menths, dwindled to nothing and will not be submitted to the Council today under the signatures of the commissioners, as was intended.

For nearly three hours, the commission labored over the final details of revision in the draft, putting it into its last corrected form to go before the Council. The opposition of the minority did not appear until the call of the roll in voting to submit the completed draft to the Council, signed by the chairman and secretary as representatives of the commission.

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"I don't care to join with you in submitting this charter," said Dr. Harry
Lane, whose name was first called. "I
had hoped that we could draft a charter that would be brief and clear in
its provisions. In its present form this
one is not so. It is confused and needs
boiling down. I do not desire to sign
if or have it submitted under the understanding that it goes in with my

it or have it submitted under the understanding that it goes in with my sanction. I am not yet certain that Mr. Benbow's short charter is what we need, but if I find, after studying it, that it is, I shall sign it."

Dr. C. H. Chapman and A. D. Cridge both declared their intention to sign Mr. Benbow's charter instead of the official draft of the commission. A. E. Clark, voting last, left the motion tied, with four in favor and four against the official charter. the official charter.

Discussion Grows Heated.

Mr. Cridge moved that both the of-Mr. Cridge moved that both the official draft and Mr. Benbow's draft be
submitted, as a majority and a minority report, but the motion was lost by
a class vote. The discussion grew
heated on both sides. Dr. Chapman
made a motion that Mr. Benbow's charter be submitted as the official draft,
saying that it didn't make much difference what was done, since he beleved the City Council would destroy
the form of the charter anyway, in an
effort to fuse it with the others that
have been submitted. Before a second
could be made to Dr. Chapman's motion. H. G. Parsons objected that some
of the members had not yet read the of the members had not yet read the

short draft. "Then there's some possibility of us egreeing, if we don't know what's in it," said Mr. Clark with mild sarvasm. Motion after motion, some of them fantastic and laughable in their provisions, was put and either voted down

or unseconded.

"As nearly as I can see," said the chairman, "we are back exactly where we were when the East Side Business Men's League appointed us."

Heavier Vote Wanted.

Mr. Clark refused to entertain the suggestion of the commission filing either draft unless the vote could be made unanimous or at least a majority of seven out of 12. It had become a matter, he declared, of individual choice. Neither decument could go in as the work of a commission, but the members would be obliged to sign in-dividually which ever draft they had decided to support.

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"In that way," he said, "I suppose if someone wanted to substitute the Declaration of Independence or a work on Christian Science for the official draft, he might do it with as many individual signers as he pleased."
"That was uncalled for," said Mr. Benbow, pointing suggestively at his

own draft.

"Well, maybe I didn't need to say 'a work on Christian Science,' "answered Mr. Clark, politely.

"This assumption by some that others on the commission baven't any

sense has been rather irritating at times," remarked Benbow. A motion to adjourn put a stop to the fruitless discussion.
"Will there be another meeting?"
asked one of the members.

"Not so far as the chalrman is con-cerned," answered Mr. Clark.

BRIDE LOSES ONE LETTER Miss Minnie Wyman Becomes Mrs. Albert Wieman

VANCOUVER, Wash, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Miss Minnie Wyman traveled from Ryan County, Iowa, to Vancouver, Wash, to have the "y" in her name changed to "ie" yesterday. She was married to Albert Wieman, of Hastings, Neb., by Rev. J. M. Canse, of the First Methodist Church.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Isit, of Portland, were witnesses. Mrs. Isit is a sister of the bride. The couple had been vis-

Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Islt is a sister of the bride. The couple had been visiting in Portland, but will go back to Lincoln, Neb, to live.

Robert Nelson and Ida May McDaniel, both of Portland, were married here today. They were accompanied by Eugene Roberts.

BANDON MAN IS SUICIDE

Despondeny Prompts Lodge Member to End His Life.

BANDON, Or., Dec. 26.—(Special.)— E. W. Black committed suicide by shooting himself her today. He had shooting himself her today. He had been brooding over financial and family treubles for several weeks. Mr. Black was a native of Texas, and has resided at Bandon for a number of years. He was 60 years old and was a member in good standing of both the Masonic and Oddfellows lodges.

The funeral will be held tomorrow under the auspices of the local Oddfellows lodge.

EARLY ENDING PREDICTED

Yuan's Envoy Cables Belief That Settlement Is Near.

government in China, now the sub-ject of the peace conference between the revolutionists and imperialists at Shanghal, is expected "within two or three days," according to a cable mes-sage received here today by the Colum-bla University Chinese Students' Club from Tang Shag Vi, representative of from Tang Shao Yi, representative of Premier Yuan Shi Kal at the confer-

The message is in answer to a long The message is in answer to a long cable message sent to Tang Shao Yi yesterday by the club on behalf of the Chinese students of the United States, which he was asked to deliver to the Pramier with a copy to Wu Ting Fang, chief of the revolutionary delegates.

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The students urgs the adoption of a republican form of government. In reply a cable message was received in care of Columbia University Chinese Student Body, saying:

"I retired from public life; I have long been indifferent to re-entering the official world. This time circumstances have compelled me, with my peer health, to ceme down to the south. I carnestly wish that the situation may be peacefully settled and I will do my best to serve the people, I expect a settlement will be reached within two or three days. Having received your cablegram dispatched from ceived your cablegram dispatched from afar. I take this opportunity to express my appreciation."

SHUSTER READY TO OUT

CHIEF CONCERN IS FOR STAFF OF ASSISTANTS.

Meetings Are Held in Mosques, at Which Protests Against Government Are Voiced. .

TEHERAN, Dec. 26 .- M. W. Morgan Shuster, the American Treasurer-Gen eral of Persia, who has been dismissed from office by the Cabinet in compliance with the demands contained in the Russian ultimatum, today sent his reply to the Cabinet, in which he stated his willingness to hand over his accounts when his successor was named. He added that his chief so-licitude was for the welfare of his 14 American assistants, concerning whom nothing has yet been decided.

Meetings were held in the various mosques to protest against the action of the government. The Minister of the Interior has issued an order that new elections be held as soon as pos-

The latest dispatches from Tabriz re-The latest dispatches from Tabriz re-port a temporary luli in the fighting. A telegram from Shiraz, province of Fars, where a boycott has been insti-tuted against the Indian troops, reports another attack on the Indians near Kazeroen, in which two Sowars were killed. The situation is regarded as serious.

CONTRACT IS NOT YET OFF

Indications Are, Though, That Shuster Will Soon Leave Persia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—American Treasurer-General Shuster's contract with the Persian government to man-age the finances of Persia has not been formally cancelled, so far as the State Department can learn. A cable mes-sage received today from American Minister Russell at Teheran, however, dealt with plans being made to get Mr. dealt with plans being made to got Mr. Shuster and his family safely out of Pursia.

House it is assumed that the formalities attending the termination of Mr. Shuster's activities in that country will not be less delayed.

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The meagerness of the news from
the Persian capital has led to the suspicton that a severe censorship is being exercised by the Russians, who
centrol some of the telegraphic chan-

MERCHANT ACCUSED OF EMBEZ-ZLEMENT OF \$3000.

Archibald Tiderington, Who Patd SC50 Each for Kisses, Held in Canada on Portland Charge.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 26 .- Archibald Tiderington was arrested here tonight by detectives representting the State of Washington on a warrant charging embesslement, alleged to have been com-

mitted at Walla Walla, Wash. Tiderington, who conducted a mer-cantile business at Walla Walla, is charged with having embezzled \$3000 belonging to the Michell-Lewis-Staver ompany, of Portland, Or., whose agent he was. When arrested he had \$13,293 in Canadian currency in his wallet. The Walla Walla authorities have been notified of the arrest. It is ex-pected Tiderington will fight extradi-tion.

WALLA WALLA, Wash, Dec. 26.— Archibald Tiderington was one of the oldest harness dealers of this city, although a native of Canada, and had never been naturalized in this country. He was doing an apparently thriving business before his disappearance sevoral weeks ago, after which it was finally discovered that he had changed all his property into cash and had left contracted debts for which creditors have already flied bankruptcy proceed-ings against him in the United States

He was arrested in Seattle by Pink erton detectives soon after leaving Walla Walla and held on suspicion as being one of the New Westminster Hank robbers. He then carried about \$25,000 in cash in his wallet. He was released before the warrant for his arrest was sworn to and succeeded in reaching. Canada hefore it could be reaching Canada before it could

served.
He was made conspicuous here a year ago when a wuman who had ap-plied for a position as housekeeper for him, filed a damage suit against him and received \$250 each for two kisses she alleged to have been forced to give

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Portland Physician Divorced.

OREGON CITY, Or., Dec. 26 .- Dr. Edgar H Thornton, a physician of Portland, with offices in the Oregonian building, has been granted a decree of divorce from Mrs. Lou Emma Thornton, who has been awarded \$100 per NEW YORK, Dec. 24. Settlement of again, when her stipend is to be cut the question of the future form of off.

Reyes May Be Pardoned if Mexican President Feels Secure in Position.

DEATH SENTENCE UNLIKELY

Military Commission Which Will Try Venerable Revolutionary Will Convict Him, but Recommend Clemency.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The treatment to be accorded General Bernardo Royes, now that he has surrendered, is expected to prove a conclusive test of the stability of the Madero government. Under the Mexican military code, the punishment prescribed for rebellion is death, but State Department officials are inclined to believe such a sentence will not be imposed. It is believed that the military commission that will try General Reyes It is believed that the military com-mission that will try General Reyes-will convict him, but the verdict, it is said, will be accompanied by a rec-ommendation for elemency. President Madero himself is the only agency who can exercise the pardoning power and his action, it is believed, will demon-strate the degrees of confidence he feels in his own ability to maintain a true republican form of government in Mexico.

REYES ASSUMES ALL BLAME

Town of Linares Has Holiday in View of Fame of Prisoner.

LINARES, Mex., Dec. 16 .- "I alone LINARES, Mex. Dec. 19.—1 alone am responsible and wish to assume all blame for the affair," said General Bernardo Reyes tonight. "I ask clem-ency and even pardon for the few men who followed me, but for myself

men who followed me, but for myself I ask nothing. I shall, of course, be judged according to law."

Clad in apparel sent to him by friendly citizens of Linares and lodged in the home of Frederick Gomea, a man politically poposed to him, Reyes today received both friends and focas well as those merely curious. Yesterday he denied himself to callers, perhaps for the reason that his clothes were in tatters and his shoes but patches of leather.

The street in front of his temporary home was filled today with hundreds anxious to catch sight of the man who for almost a generation ruled them as Governor. The more influential forced

for almost a generation ruled them as Governor. The more influential forced their way through the crowd to greet the old man and Linares as a whole was in holiday mood because of the fame of her guest.

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"I was told," he said, "that as soon as I would cross the border the country would rise, that in Chiva alone there were awaiting 800 men. Do you know how many I found there? One man, and so I juiged the situation. Although toe late, at last, I realized that the people wanted no more war. I might have maintained a guerrila warfare, but I considered that unjustifiable and determined to surrender. Now my desire is that I may be the only victim. With my own ashes, I hope to ba able to suffocate the flame of revolt."

DEATH PENALTY IS POSSIBLE

Even Minimuum Sentence Would End Days in Prison.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 26 .- Death may be the penalty of General Bernardo Reyes will pay for his effort to over-throw President Madero. The least he ect is ten years' imprisonment. | the of frost that alm The Mexican law provides these ex-tremes for the crime of inciting re-

It is generally believed the extreme It is generally believed the extreme penalty will not be inflicted, but a term in the penitentiary for the ventrable prisoner, with his 74 years, will be the equivalent. The court to pass judgment on him will consist of two generals of division and five brigadiers, with General Alexandro Pero, chief of Reyes' staff when he was Minister of War under President Diaz, as presiding officer. General Pero long has been chief magistrate of the military court.

although he had retired from the army, General Reyes was entitled, under military usage, to receive honor in the army as though in active serv-

On the other hand, as a retired offi-cer, he is liable to punishment by a military court for offenses committed against the army. His offense con-sisted in calling upon the army to rise in rebellion.

Orders were sent to General Trevino at Monterey to have Reyes brought to the capital at the earliest possible date. He will arrive here by the end of the present week, and little time will be lost in placing him on trial.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RE-PORTS LOW TEMPERATURES.

Growers Go Without Sleep to Attend to Smudgepots in Hope to Save the Crops.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—In many of the orange-growing districts of South-ern California last night's weather was the coldest registered in many years. In one part of Los Angeles County the mercury fell to 16 above zero, while in San Bernardino the thermometer registered 22 and in Riverside 20 degrees

Persistent smudging for the three nights probably has saved the growing crop from serious injury, but in many districts tonight's temperature is awaited with anxiety. What damage has already been done is not considered sufficient to bring the crop below the

sufficient to bring the crop below the average.

In the Pomona, Rialto and Highland districts, orange-growers went without sleep last night, attending to their smudgepots. In the larger part of the San Bernardino Valley it was reported today that this smudging had brought the crop through unscathed.

There was a rise in temperature late today that encouraged growers to believe that tonight's frost would not be as severe as that of last night.

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Alexander G. McAdle, the forecaster, said tonight that the damage to fruit thad not been serious. Ample warning from the Government weather men and the Sandy road franchise.

Labor Case Up Saturday. up-to-date methods for the protection of trees had prevented great frost

In most sections of the state there In most sections of the state there has been little rainfail in the past few months, and the precipitation for the season is far below the normal. Crisp. fogless wenther and cloudless skies have prevailed almost continuously for

Mische Talks of Parks.

-not white with real snow, but a man- in Rose City Hall, Park Superinten-tie of frost that almost answered the dent Mische gave a talk on the park systems of various cities, illustrating his remarks with stereopticon sildes. Mr. Mische declared that the city should secure suitable park sites before the price of property becomes prohibitive.
The members of the league expressed
themselves in favor of raising sufficient funds for the purchase of parks
by the issuance of bonds. Preceding

Labor Case Up Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 .- The six justices of the District Supreme Court will sit in special sesion Saturday to hear the testimony in the contempt case pending against Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor: Vice-president John Mitchell and Secretary Frank Morrison, of the same organization. The bulk of the testimony will be taken before an ex-

At the meeting of the Rose City Park | aminer.



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